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CHAPTER 4.

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An Act to provide for the disposal of the balances of certain banking accounts representing sums lent or given by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to the Government of the Czechoslovak Republic.

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CHAPTER 5.

INDIA AND BURMA (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) ACT, 1940.

An Act to amend the Government of India Act, 1935, and the Government of Burma Act, 1935, in certain respects, and to make a consequential amendment in the Naval Discipline Act; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid.

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CHAPTER 7.

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An Act to empower the Minister of Labour and National Service, during the present emergency, to modify or suspend the operation of any of the provisions of the Trade Boards Acts, 1909 and 1918, and the Road Haulage Wages Act, 1938, and to make provision with respect to any of the matters to which the said provisions relate; and to make a consequential amendment of the Holidays with Pay Act, 1938.

[20th February, 1940.]

CHAPTER 8.

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An Act to amend the provisions of the Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Act, 1913, with regard to the duration of the detention of mental defectives in institutions or under guardianship.

[14th March, 1940.]

CHAPTER 9.

COTTON INDUSTRY ACT, 1940.

An Act to provide for establishing a board to perform certain services for the benefit of the cotton industry and certain other functions, for the making of payments by cotton spinners to meet the expenses of the board and to provide their contribution to the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid.

[14th March, 1940.]

CHAPTER 10.

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An Act to protect from forfeiture industrial assurance policies and certain other assurance policies effected with registered friendly societies, in cases where default occurs in consequence of the war.

[14th March, 1940.]

CHAPTER 11.

CONSOLIDATED FUND (No. 1) ACT, 1940.

An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, one thousand nine hundred and forty and one thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

[21st March, 1940.]

CHAPTER 12.

RATING AND VALUATION (POSTPONEMENT OF VALUATIONS) ACT, 1940.

An Act to postpone the making of new valuation lists for rating purposes in England, and for purposes connected therewith.

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CHAPTER 13.**OLD AGE AND WIDOWS' PENSIONS ACT, 1940.**

An Act to reduce to sixty years the age at which women may become entitled to old age pensions under the enactments relating to widows', orphans' and old age contributory pensions; to provide for increasing certain contributions payable under those enactments; to make provision for supplementing, in cases of need, pensions payable under the said enactments to widows who have attained the age of sixty years, and old age pensions, and for making consequential adjustments in respect of the General Exchequer Grants payable to local authorities which are public assistance authorities; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [21st March, 1940.]

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CHAPTER 15.**SOLICITORS (EMERGENCY PROVISIONS) ACT, 1940.**

An Act to make special provision on account of circumstances arising out of the present emergency as to examinations and service under articles in the case of persons desirous of being admitted as solicitors, as to the awarding of prizes, medals and scholarships by law societies, and as to the delegation of the powers of the Master of the Rolls under the enactments relating to solicitors, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [25th April, 1940.]

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CHAPTER 17.**AGRICULTURAL WAGES (REGULATION) AMENDMENT ACT, 1940.**

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CHAPTER 18.**ARMY AND AIR FORCE (ANNUAL) ACT, 1940.**

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CHAPTER 19.**SOCIETIES (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, 1940.**

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CHAPTER 20.**EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE) ACT, 1940.**

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CHAPTER 21.**TREACHERY ACT, 1940.**

An Act to make further provision for the trial and punishment of treachery. [23rd May, 1940.]

CHAPTER 22.**NATIONAL SERVICE (ARMED FORCES) ACT, 1940.**

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[23rd May, 1940.]

CHAPTER 23.**NATIONAL LOANS (No. 2) ACT, 1940.**

An Act to extend the powers of the Treasury to raise money under section one of the National Loans Act, 1939, and release them from contractual obligations to issue bearer bonds or bond certificates.

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CHAPTER 24.**NATIONAL SERVICE (CHANNEL ISLANDS) ACT, 1940.**

An Act to provide for the enlistment of men called up in the Channel Islands for service in the armed forces of the Crown.

[13th June, 1940.]

CHAPTER 25.**POST OFFICE AND TELEGRAPH ACT, 1940.**

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[13th June, 1940.]

CHAPTER 26.**SUPERANNUATION SCHEMES (WAR SERVICE) ACT, 1940.**

An Act to enable provision to be made for preventing loss of benefits under certain superannuation schemes by persons undertaking service in the forces or employment for war purposes. [13th June, 1940.]

CHAPTER 27.**AGRICULTURAL WAGES (REGULATION) (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1940.**

An Act to amend the provisions of the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) (Scotland) Act, 1937, relating to the power to direct reconsideration of minimum rates of wages, the constitution of the Scottish Agricultural Wages Board, and the appointment of chairmen of agricultural wages committees.

[13th June, 1940.]

CHAPTER 28.**EVIDENCE AND POWERS OF ATTORNEY ACT, 1940.**

An Act to empower certain officers and other persons to administer oaths and take affidavits, to facilitate the proof in criminal proceedings of documents intercepted in the post, and to make further provision as respects powers of attorney. [13th June, 1940.]

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